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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

**Claim 1 (currently amended):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer including about 25% to 75% ethylene and about 75% to 25% propylene; wherein the ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer provides an adhesive layer, said adhesive layer disposed and adhered to a backing layer.

**Claim 2 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer and a polyisobutylene.

**Claim 3 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer, a polyisobutylene and an ethylene propylene elastomer.

**Claim 4 (cancelled)**

**Claim 5 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 2 wherein the ethylene propylene diene monomer includes about 25 to 75% ethylene and about 75 to 25% propylene.

**Claim 6 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising about 5 to about 70% ethylene propylene diene monomer and about 95% to about 0% polyisobutylene.

**Claim 7 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid Composition of claim 2 where in the polyisobutylene has a molecular weight of about 36,000 to about 100,000.

**Claim 8 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 2 where in the polyisobutylene has a molecular weight of about 45,000 to about 60,000.

**Claim 9 (original):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 1 further comprising hydrophilic particles.

**Claim 10 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 2 further comprising hydrophilic particles.

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**Claim 11 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 1 comprising ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer and hydrophilic particles, wherein the hydrophilic particles comprise about 20% to about 40% of the composition.

**Claim 12 (original):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 1 further comprising therapeutic agents.

**Claim 13 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 2 further comprising therapeutic agents.

**Claim 14 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 1 or 32 further comprising additives.

**Claim 15 (original):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 14 further wherein the additives are selected from the group consisting of tackifiers, stabilizers and plasticizers.

**Claim 16 (original):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 15, wherein the stabilizer is butyl rubber.

**Claim 17 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 1 or 32 further comprising a pigment.

**Claim 18 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising about 5% to about 40% EDPM, about 10% to about 80% PIB, up to about 35% plasticizer, up to about 35% tackifier, and up to about 40% hydrophilic particles.

**Claim 19 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising an an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer, a polyisobutylene and a styrenic block copolymer.

**Claim 20 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 19 wherein said styrenic block copolymer comprises up to about 35% of the hydrocolloid composition.

**Claim 21 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 19 further comprising additives.

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**Claim 22 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 21 wherein the additives are selected from the group consisting of tackifiers, stabilizers, hydrophilic particles and plasticizers.

**Claim 23 (withdrawn):** A dressing comprising:

a hydrocolloid composition comprising an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer; and a substrate with the hydrocolloid composition disposed thereon.

**Claim 24 (withdrawn):** The dressing of claim 23 wherein said hydrocolloid composition further comprises polyisobutylene.

**Claim 25 (withdrawn):** The dressing of claim 24 wherein the hydrocolloid composition further comprises styrenic block copolymer.

**Claim 26 (withdrawn):** The dressing of claim 25 further comprising additives.

**Claim 27 (withdrawn):** The dressing of claim 26 wherein the additives are selected from the group consisting of tackifiers, stabilizers, hydrophilic particles, therapeutic agents and plasticizers.

**Claim 28 (withdrawn):** The dressing of claim 23 wherein the dressing is in the form of a wound dressing, ostomy dressing, bandage or blister patch.

**Claim 29 (withdrawn):** A hydrocolloid composition comprising an ethylene propylene diene monomer polymer and styrenic block copolymer.

**Claim 30 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 29 further comprising additives.

**Claim 31 (withdrawn):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 30 wherein said additives are selected from the group consisting of tackifiers, stabilizers, hydrophilic particles, therapeutic agents and plasticizers.

**Claim 32 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 1, further comprising a polyisobutylene.

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**Claim 33 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 1, further comprising a polyisobutylene and an ethylene propylene elastomer.

**Claim 34 (previously presented):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 32 further comprising hydrophilic particles.

**Claim 35 (previously presented):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 32 further comprising therapeutic agents.

**Claim 36 (previously presented):** A hydrocolloid composition of claim 32 further comprising a styrenic block copolymer.

**Claim 37 (previously presented):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 36 wherein said styrenic block copolymer comprises up to about 35% of the hydrocolloid composition.

**Claim 38 (previously presented):** The hydrocolloid composition of claim 36 further comprising additives.